Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, David L. Chicoine served for nearly ten years as president of South Dakota State University, leading SDSU during a transformational time in the university's 135-year history, and emphasizing the tripartite Morrill Act land-grant mission of teaching, research and outreach during his tenure as the university's 19th president; and,

Whereas, David L. Chicoine, the third alumnus to serve as president of SDSU, led processes that yielded two strategic plans, a campus master plan, an athletic facilities master plan, and a residential life and dining services master plan; and,

Whereas, The SDSU Foundation, working in cooperation with President Chicoine and university leaders, conducted a comprehensive campaign that raised $255,736,045 in gifts and pledges to fund scholarships, academic programs, faculty excellence, facilities, and athletics; and,

Whereas, Twelve new academic and administrative buildings and seven new residence halls were constructed during his presidency, changing the landscape of the Brookings campus; and,

Whereas, South Dakota State University completed its transition to NCAA Division I athletics with distinction during his presidency; and,

Whereas, David L. Chicoine, as president, instituted a strong and effective shared-governance model and substantial organizational structure changes to enable a high-functioning university; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper to honor this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of his retirement:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 23, 2016, as

DAVID L. CHICOINE DAY

in South Dakota, and I join his family, friends, and colleagues in offering him best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State